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Important Monthly Indicators

INDUSTRIAL:	FEB. 1957	FEB. 1956	JAN. 1957
Anthracite Production (net tons).....	1,924	2,334	2,265
Bituminous Coal Prod. (net tons).....	39,260	42,575	43,700
Construction Contracts (\$1,000).....	2,161,009	1,859,737	2,299,554
Copper Production ref. (net tons).....	134,119	127,967	130,150
Copper Deliveries ref. (net tons).....	101,565	139,433	119,925
Industrial Production (FEB 1947=100)	147.0	144.0	145.0
Mfg. Employment (BLS).....1947=100	105.8	106.8	106.1
Mfg. Payrolls (BLS).....1947=100	104.8	104.8	104.8
Newspaper Production (net tons).....	669,639	645,128	716,215
Newspaper Shipments (net tons).....	662,495	633,618	672,492
Pig Iron Production (net tons).....	6,658	6,603	7,282
Rayon Yarn Deliveries (pounds).....	57,300	70,400	71,700
Rubber Consumption (long tons).....	123,559	125,293	139,228
Steel Ingot Production (net tons).....	9,987	10,119	11,009
Zinc Production (net tons).....	87,974	86,329	93,452
Zinc Shipments (net tons).....	67,675	84,727	67,273
	JAN. 1957	JAN. 1956	DEC. 1956
Coke Production (net tons).....	6,851	6,920	6,836
Cotton Consumption (bales).....	840,600	746,996	631,507
Electricity Production (kw-hours).....	55,428	58,092	52,875
Lead Production prim. (net tons).....	50,854	51,306	54,062
Lead Shipments prim. (net tons).....	40,549	49,746	44,191
Motor Vehicles, Factory Sales (units).....	719,422	690,253	700,740
Tires - Production (units).....	9,504	8,979	8,556
Tires - Shipments (units).....	8,878	8,203	7,548
Wool Consumption (pounds).....	40,000	41,800	35,500
	DEC. 1956	DEC. 1955	NOV. 1956
Cement Production (barrels).....	24,429	23,073	25,874
Cement Shipments (barrels).....	17,822	17,203	22,705
Cigarette Production (units).....	25,070	27,400	33,585
Gasoline Production (barrels).....	125,199	121,411	117,398
Petroleum Production (barrels).....	228,684	221,804	214,174
Petroleum Consumption (barrels).....	252,361	240,634	240,944

FINANCIAL:	FEB. 1957	FEB. 1956	JAN. 1957
Bank Debts, Total U. S. (\$1,000).....	178,049	162,107	204,293
Bank Debts, N. Y. C. (\$1,000).....	67,035	57,413	76,460
Bank Debts, Outside N.Y.C. (\$1,000).....	111,014	104,694	127,833
Bond Sales, N.Y. Stock Ex. (\$1,000).....	74,802	82,279	94,060
Bond Sales, Am. Stock Ex. (\$1,000).....	1,320	1,660	1,430
Bond Sales, Municipal (\$1,000).....	406,565	709,445	685,472
Fire Losses (\$1,000).....	95,569	84,041	115,272
Life Insurance Sales (\$1,000).....	4,898	3,686	4,269
Stock Sales N.Y. Stock Ex. (shares).....	37,575	46,401	48,161
Stock Sales Am. Stock Ex. (shares).....	14,330	15,430	20,090
	JAN. 1957	JAN. 1956	DEC. 1956
Merchandise Exports U. S. (\$1,000).....	1,674,000	1,278,000	1,993,000
Merchandise Imports U. S. (\$1,000).....	1,135,000	1,045,000	1,044,000
Railway Earnings, Gross (\$1,000).....	853,565	831,623	871,049
Railway Earnings, Net Op. Inc. (\$1,000).....	58,266	82,777	85,813
Retail Sales (\$1,000).....	14,889	13,900	19,532
Wholesale Sales (\$1,000).....	10,900	9,400	10,600
Manufacturing Sales (\$1,000).....	29,113	26,500	28,684
Retail Inventories (\$1,000).....	24,030	22,800	23,828
Wholesale Inventories (\$1,000).....	13,200	12,500	13,300
Manufacturing Inventories (\$1,000).....	51,488	46,600	51,397
(a) 000 Omitted. (f) 000,000 Omitted.			

Bank Clearings for Individual Cities—February 1957 and 1956

	(Thousands of dollars)		
	FEB. 1957	FEB. 1956	% CHANGE
Boston.....	2,655,314	2,661,899	- 0.2
Philadelphia.....	4,847,000	4,854,000	- 0.1
Buffalo.....	560,274	541,041	+ 3.6
Pittsburgh.....	1,874,617	1,802,113	+ 4.0
Cleveland.....	2,243,445	2,264,991	- 1.0
Cincinnati.....	1,137,607	1,102,596	+ 3.2
Baltimore.....	1,422,156	1,383,572	+ 2.8
Richmond.....	758,494	754,599	+ 0.5
Atlanta.....	1,509,100	1,503,200	+ 0.4
New Orleans.....	854,057	784,869	+ 8.8
Memphis.....	534,657	525,456	+ 1.8
Chicago.....	4,408,482	4,369,829	+ 0.9
Detroit.....	3,003,217	2,993,464	+ 0.3
St. Louis.....	1,754,577	1,452,912	+ 20.8
Louisville.....	799,097	792,015	+ 0.9
Kansas City.....	1,493,335	1,460,610	+ 2.2
Houston.....	1,587,742	1,564,318	+ 1.5
Omaha.....	570,828	586,023	- 2.6
Denver.....	746,748	667,350	+ 11.9
Dallas.....	1,768,983	1,709,741	+ 3.5
San Francisco.....	1,643,645	1,628,450	+ 0.9
San Francisco.....	3,398,122	3,681,475	- 7.7
Portland, Ore.....	2,504,895	2,434,473	+ 2.9
Seattle.....	706,849	714,473	- 1.1
Seattle.....	731,884	722,704	+ 1.3
Total 25 Cities.....	43,572,125	43,026,125	+ 1.3
New York.....	43,572,123	39,549,611	+ 10.2
Total 26 Cities.....	87,144,248	82,575,736	+ 5.5

Bank Clearings for Individual Cities—2 Months, 1957, 1956, and 1955

	2 MONTHS 1957	2 MONTHS 1956	% CHANGE	2 MONTHS 1955
Boston.....	5,834,885	5,638,741	+ 3.5	5,151,746
Philadelphia.....	10,638,000	10,241,000	+ 3.9	9,291,000
Buffalo.....	1,221,847	1,156,180	+ 5.7	1,025,358
Pittsburgh.....	4,075,900	3,776,823	+ 7.9	3,104,429
Cleveland.....	5,104,637	4,750,509	+ 7.5	3,839,788
Cincinnati.....	2,479,981	2,361,842	+ 5.0	2,089,813
Baltimore.....	3,081,007	2,917,987	+ 5.6	2,607,425
Richmond.....	1,679,268	1,614,330	+ 4.0	1,461,220
Atlanta.....	3,382,000	2,981,400	+ 13.4	2,810,500
New Orleans.....	1,896,665	1,663,221	+ 14.0	1,464,223
Memphis.....	1,185,849	1,118,356	+ 6.0	1,035,183
Chicago.....	9,641,177	9,319,745	+ 3.4	8,085,710
Detroit.....	6,550,227	6,446,058	+ 1.6	5,459,629
St. Louis.....	3,509,154	3,144,895	+ 11.6	2,902,468
Louisville.....	1,676,696	1,662,446	+ 0.9	1,525,202
Minneapolis.....	3,289,866	3,109,897	+ 5.8	2,732,058
Kansas City.....	3,484,917	3,336,606	+ 4.4	3,119,624
Houston.....	1,257,827	1,244,094	+ 1.1	1,215,718
Omaha.....	1,602,009	1,410,458	+ 13.6	1,262,068
Dallas.....	3,951,057	3,746,619	+ 5.5	3,340,500
San Francisco.....	3,573,811	3,463,899	+ 3.2	2,909,221
San Francisco.....	7,522,630	7,682,429	- 2.1	6,497,248
Portland, Ore.....	5,569,065	5,319,385	+ 4.7	4,668,412
Seattle.....	1,585,495	1,474,868	+ 7.5	1,372,635
Seattle.....	1,620,305	1,557,128	+ 4.1	1,429,386
Total 25 Cities.....	95,414,295	91,139,366	+ 4.7	80,400,562
New York.....	94,983,065	87,338,947	+ 8.8	87,650,126
Total 26 Cities.....	190,397,360	178,478,313	+ 6.7	168,050,688

Summary of Bank Clearings—Monthly—1954 to Date

(Millions of dollars)

	Total 26 United States Cities	New York City	Total 25 Cities Excluding N. Y. C.
	1957	1956	1955
January.....	103,253	96,104	87,462
February.....	87,144	82,375	80,589
March.....	95,734	95,249	90,883
April.....	91,068	83,559	82,815
May.....	96,905	86,047	79,771
June.....	96,069	91,966	89,211
July.....	94,463	83,362	83,729
August.....	93,323	86,995	82,817
September.....	85,266	86,612	80,283
October.....	100,190	90,642	83,176
November.....	93,716	88,603	84,476
December.....	100,171	97,510	98,823
Total.....	1,125,383	1,058,596	1,013,060

Summary of Industrial and Commercial Failures—Monthly—1954 to Date

	Number of Failures	Current Liabilities (000 Omitted)	Total Liabilities (000 Omitted)
	1957	1956	1955
January.....	1,148	1,048	939
February.....	1,146	1,024	877
March.....	...	1,170	1,038
April.....	...	985	903
May.....	...	1,164	955
June.....	...	1,105	914
July.....	...	1,018	861
August.....	...	1,101	888
September.....	...	932	822
October.....	...	1,158	919
November.....	...	999	945
December.....	...	982	908
Total.....	...	12,686	10,969

United States Wholesale Commodity Price Index

BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

INDEX OF WHOLESALE COMMODITY PRICES (KEVISED) 1947-49=100

Groups	FEB. 1957	JAN. 1957	DEC. 1956	FEB. 1956
ALL COMMODITIES.....	117.0	116.9	116.2	112.4
Farm Products.....	88.8	89.3	88.9	86.0
Processed Foods.....	104.8	104.3	103.1	99.0
All Commodities Other Than				
Farm Products and Foods.....	125.5	125.2	124.7	120.6
Textile Products and Apparel.....	95.7	95.8	95.6	96.0
Hides, Skins and Leather Products.....	98.0	98.4	99.2	97.1
Fuel, Power and Lighting Materials.....	119.6	116.3	114.0	111.2
Chemicals and Allied Products.....	108.8	108.7	108.3	106.4
Rubber and Rubber Products.....	143.8	145.0	147.9	147.1
Lumber and Wood Products.....	120.7	121.3	121.0	126.7
Pulp, Paper and Allied Products.....	128.5	128.6	128.0	125.4
Metals and Metal Products.....	131.2	132.2	132.3	145.1
Machinery and Motive Products.....	144.4	143.9	143.6	133.9
Furniture, Other Household Durables.....	122.0	121.9	121.2	118.2
Non-Metallic Minerals - Structural.....	132.6	132.0	131.3	127.1
Tobacco Mfrs. & Bottled Beverages.....	124.1	124.0	123.6	121.7
Miscellaneous.....	92.4	93.2	91.7	88.7

United States Consumer Price Index (Cost of Living)

BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Revised Series: 1947-49 = 100

Groups	FEB. 1957	JAN. 1957	DEC. 1956	FEB. 1956
ALL ITEMS.....	118.7	118.2	118.0	114.6
Food.....	113.6	112.8	112.9	108.8
Housing.....	124.5	123.8	123.5	120.7
Apparel.....	106.1	106.4	107.0	104.6
Transportation.....	134.4	133.6	133.1	126.9
Medical Care.....	135.5	135.3	134.7	130.9
Personal Care.....	122.6	122.1	121.8	118.9
Reading and Recreation.....	110.0	109.9	109.3	107.5
Other Goods and Services.....	124.0	123.8	123.3	120.9

Dun & Bradstreet Wholesale Food Price Index—1955 to Date

1957	1956	1955
Jan. 1..... \$5.13	Jan. 3..... \$5.95	Jan. 4..... \$6.75
Jan. 8..... 6.10	Jan. 10..... 5.62	Jan. 11..... 6.81
Jan. 15..... 6.13	Jan. 17..... 5.86	Jan. 18..... 6.84
Jan. 22..... 6.14	Jan. 24..... 5.89	Jan. 25..... 6.88
Jan. 29..... 6.16	Jan. 31..... 5.95	Feb. 1..... 6.85
Feb. 5..... 6.13	Feb. 7..... 5.90	Feb. 8..... 6.77
Feb. 12..... 6.13	Feb. 14..... 5.94	Feb. 15..... 6.69
Feb. 19..... 6.12	Feb. 21..... 5.93	Feb. 22..... 6.65
Feb. 26..... 6.11	Feb. 28..... 5.95	Mar. 1..... 6.63
Mar. 5..... 6.09	Mar. 6..... 5.94	Mar. 8..... 6.55
Mar. 12..... 6.12	Mar. 13..... 5.96	Mar. 15..... 6.53
Mar. 19..... 6.20	Mar. 20..... 5.93	Mar. 22..... 6.55
Mar. 26..... 6.22	Mar. 27..... 5.89	Mar. 29..... 6.52
Apr. 2..... 6.22	Apr. 3..... 5.96	Apr. 5..... 6.49
Apr. 9..... 6.22	Apr. 10..... 5.96	Apr. 12..... 6.54
Apr. 16..... 6.22	Apr. 17..... 6.01	Apr. 19..... 6.52
Apr. 23..... 6.22	Apr. 24..... 6.04	Apr. 26..... 6.42
Apr. 30..... 6.22	May 1..... 6.04	May 3..... 6.38
May 7..... 6.22	May 8..... 6.03	May 10..... 6.39
May 14..... 6.22	May 15..... 6.14	May 17..... 6.37
May 21..... 6.22	May 22..... 6.11	May 24..... 6.34
May 28..... 6.22	May 29..... 6.11	May 31..... 6.39
June 4..... 6.22	June 5..... 6.18	June 7..... 6.39
June 11..... 6.22	June 12..... 6.14	June 14..... 6.51
June 18..... 6.22	June 19..... 6.09	June 21..... 6.49
June 25..... 6.22	June 26..... 6.03	June 28..... 6.42
July 2..... 6.22	July 3..... 6.05	July 5..... 6.33
July 9..... 6.22	July 10..... 6.06	July 12..... 6.26
July 16..... 6.22	July 17..... 6.21	July 19..... 6.17
July 23..... 6.22	July 24..... 6.08	July 26..... 6.17
July 30..... 6.22	July 31..... 6.08	Aug. 2..... 6.21
Aug. 6..... 6.22	Aug. 7..... 6.10	Aug. 9..... 6.24
Aug. 13..... 6.22	Aug. 14..... 6.08	Aug. 16..... 6.23
Aug. 20..... 6.22	Aug. 21..... 6.09	Aug. 23..... 6.21
Aug. 27..... 6.22	Aug. 28..... 6.04	Aug. 30..... 6.15
Sept. 3..... 6.22	Sept. 4..... 6.05	Sept. 6..... 6.19
Sept. 10..... 6.22	Sept. 11..... 6.07	Sept. 13..... 6.26
Sept. 17..... 6.22	Sept. 18..... 6.06	Sept. 20..... 6.25
Sept. 24..... 6.22	Sept. 25..... 6.08	Sept. 27..... 6.28
Oct. 1..... 6.22	Oct. 2..... 6.00	Oct. 4..... 6.17
Oct. 8..... 6.22	Oct. 9..... 5.97	Oct. 11..... 6.11
Oct. 15..... 6.22	Oct. 16..... 6.01	Oct. 18..... 6.08
Oct. 22..... 6.22	Oct. 23..... 5.97	Oct. 25..... 6.05
Oct. 29..... 6.22	Oct. 30..... 5.96	Nov. 1..... 6.02
Nov. 5..... 6.22	Nov. 6..... 5.95	Nov. 8..... 6.00
Nov. 12..... 6.22	Nov. 13..... 6.01	Nov. 15..... 6.04
Nov. 19..... 6.22	Nov. 20..... 6.10	Nov. 22..... 6.02
Nov. 26..... 6.22	Nov. 27..... 6.16	Nov. 29..... 5.99
Dec. 3..... 6.22	Dec. 4..... 6.14	Dec. 6..... 5.99
Dec. 10..... 6.22	Dec. 11..... 6.18	Dec. 13..... 5.96
Dec. 17..... 6.22	Dec. 18..... 6.15	Dec. 20..... 5.96
Dec. 24..... 6.22	Dec. 25..... 6.12	Dec. 27..... 5.97
Dec. 31..... 6.22		
Average.....	Average..... \$6.03	Average..... \$6.34

Note: The Wholesale Food Price Index represents the sum total of the price per pound of 31 foodstuffs in general use.

Daily Wholesale Price Index of 30 Basic Commodities

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United States and Foreign Wholesale Price Index Numbers

BASE YEAR	JAN. 1957	DEC. 1956	NOV. 1956	OCT. 1956	JAN. 1956
U. S. (B.L.S.).....1947-49	116.9	116.3	115.9	115.6	111.8
Canada.....1935-39	229.4	228.1	226.6	227.1	222.0
Australia.....1953	113.0	113.0	112.0	112.0	106.0
Belgium.....1953	106.0	106.0	106.0	104.0	103.0
Costa Rica.....1953	109.0	108.0	109.0	108.0	109.0
Denmark.....1953	110.0	110.0	108.0	107.0	105.0
Finland.....1953	109.0	107.0	107.0	104.0	100.0
France.....1953	105.0	104.0	103.0	102.0	100.0
Germany.....1953	105.0	105.0	104.0	103.0	102.0
Greece.....1953	131.0	131.0	132.0	129.0	126.0
India.....1953	107.0	109.0	109.0	106.0	95.0
Italy.....1953	103.0	103.0	102.0	102.0	103.0
Japan.....1953	106.0	106.0	105.0	104.0	98.0
Norway.....1953	112.0	112.0	111.0	110.0	103.0
Philippines.....1953	98.0	98.0	96.0	95.0	91.0
Switzerland.....1953	105.0	106.0	106.0	104.0	101.0
Union South Africa.....1953	107.0	107.0	106.0	106.0	105.0
U. K. (Bd. of Tr.).....1953	110.0	111.0	109.0	107.0	106.0
Venezuela.....1953	100.0	101.0	101.0	101.0	101.0
	DEC. 1956	NOV. 1956	OCT. 1956	SEPT. 1956	DEC. 1955
Australia.....1953	106.0	106.0	107.0	107.0	104.0
Brazil.....1953	189.0	189.0	188.0	186.0	153.0
Cuba.....1953	97.0	96.0	97.0	97.0	94.0
Dominican Republic.....1953	93.0	97.0	94.0	94.0	90.0
Guatemala.....1953	98.0	99.0	103.0	101.0	100.0
Lebanon.....1953	97.0	98.0	97.0	98.0	97.0
Mexico.....1953	130.0	129.0	128.0	128.0	128.0
Morocco.....1953	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.0	99.0
Netherlands.....1953	107.0	105.0	105.0	104.0	102.0
Peru.....1953	130.0	128.0	129.0	128.0	121.0
Portugal.....1953	101.0	99.0	97.0	96.0	97.0
Spain.....1953	124.0	119.0	116.0	114.0	108.0
Sweden.....1953	110.0	109.0	109.0	108.0	107.0
Turkey.....1953	142.0	138.0	138.0	130.0	128.0

MAR. 1957	FEB. 1957	JAN. 1957	DEC. 1956	NOV. 1956
1..... 290.66	294.89	299.78	299.78	294.16
2..... 290.66	294.89	299.78	299.78	294.16
3..... 290.66	294.89	299.78	299.78	294.16
4..... 290.66	294.89	299.78	299.78	294.16
5..... 291.13	293.72	299.53	300.18	294.32
6..... 290.85	293.52	299.53	300.18	294.32
7..... 290.92	293.71	299.51	301.08	293.88
8..... 290.33	292.73	299.21	300.18	294.41
9..... 290.33	292.73	299.21	300.18	294.41
10..... 290.33	292.73	299.21	300.18	294.41
11..... 290.40	291.94	299.76	300.96	294.41
12..... 290.83	291.94	299.76	300.96	294.41
13..... 290.54	292.42	299.76	300.96	294.41
14..... 290.35	292.52	300.11	301.60	296.39
15..... 289.97	291.95	300.30	301.60	296.49
16..... 289.97	291.95	300.30	301.60	296.49
17..... 289.97	291.95	300.30	301.60	296.49
18..... 289.40	290.93	299.75	299.79	297.69
19..... 289.57	290.97	299.75	299.79	297.69
20..... 289.80	291.36	299.75	300.39	298.23
21..... 289.15	290.55	299.75	300.42	298.49
22..... 289.28	290.09	299.75	300.42	298.49
23..... 289.28	290.09	299.75	300.42	298.49
24..... 289.10	291.02	298.31	300.25	300.25
25..... 289.32	290.60	298.31	300.25	300.25
26..... 289.19	290.99	298.31	300.25	300.25
27..... 288.77	290.06	298.31	300.25	300.25
28..... 287.75	290.06	298.31	300.25	300.25
29..... 287.75	290.06	298.31	300.25	300.25
30..... 287.75	290.06	298.31	300.25	300.25
31..... 287.75	290.06	298.31	300.25	300.25
	(*) Holiday	(†) Sunday		
	High	Low		
1957.....	300.82	Jan. 15	287.75	Mar. 29
1956.....	301.71	Nov. 30	278.79	Jan. 17
1955.....	280.79	Jan. 27	270.68	June 3
1954.....	279.82	Dec. 28	270.72	June 30
1953.....	284.18	July 23	274.04	Oct. 8

BUILDING PERMIT VALUES FOR 217 CITIES

February 1957 and 1956

The following table gives monthly building permit values by cities and by geographical regions. The figures represent estimated building costs under permits issued to prospective builders within the corporate limits of the cities enumerated. They include new residential and new non-residential buildings, as well as additions, alterations, and repairs. Land costs are not included. The data are compiled from reports furnished monthly to Dun & Bradstreet, Inc., by the building departments of the various cities.

	FEBRUARY 1957	FEBRUARY 1956	JANUARY 1957		FEBRUARY 1957	FEBRUARY 1956	JANUARY 1957
New England:				South Atlantic:			
Boston, Mass.....	\$805,100	\$3,070,252	\$1,489,900	Asheville, N. C.....	\$447,445	\$458,871	\$234,850
Bridgeport, Conn.....	1,409,625	844,360	630,025	Atlanta, Ga.....	4,780,468	4,707,708	4,441,940
Bristol, Conn.....	145,745	382,816	158,315	Augusta, Ga.....	201,584	540,143	474,891
Brockton, Mass.....	147,600	313,335	92,800	Baltimore, Md.....	9,666,215	8,854,608	6,968,650
Cambridge, Mass.....	140,145	204,775	529,885	Charleston, S. C.....	123,877	223,294	217,305
Chelsea, Mass.....	12,195	19,275	15,500	Charlotte, N. C.....	1,404,266	1,965,425	1,195,028
Everett, Mass.....	226,230	29,375	150,530	Coral Gables, Fla.....	1,121,138	813,330	1,031,876
Fall River, Mass.....	40,875	108,325	241,550	Greensboro, N. C.....	745,105	1,758,990	2,120,624
Fitchburg, Mass.....	64,145	65,205	314,300	Greenville, S. C.....	209,079	252,500	189,500
Greenwich, Conn.....	550,483	810,814	553,571	Jacksonville, Fla.....	2,965,631	1,505,352	2,105,505
Hartford, Conn.....	1,890,899	227,263	4,923,795	Lynchburg, Va.....	952,475	371,640	386,800
Haverhill, Mass.....	44,550	31,600	531,875	Macon, Ga.....	357,633	285,174	364,631
Holyoke, Mass.....	92,600	143,825	835,525	Miami, Fla.....	3,491,845	3,212,000	4,893,084
Lawrence, Mass.....	50,525	211,075	35,350	Miami Beach, Fla.....	5,820,402	650,582	979,117
Lowell, Mass.....	207,590	273,010	60,710	Norfolk, Va.....	743,284	1,375,905	819,774
Lynn, Mass.....	305,800	155,050	236,700	Richmond, Va.....	3,832,482	1,960,190	1,361,485
Manchester, N. H.....	331,070	227,365	338,365	Roskilde, Va.....	347,731	1,153,721	515,858
Medford, Mass.....	87,870	87,450	37,500	Savannah, Ga.....	283,950	378,400	210,800
New Bedford, Mass.....	133,340	171,120	84,161	Tampa, Fla.....	3,740,829	8,044,283	4,472,315
New Britain, Conn.....	262,100	306,100	199,320	Washington, D. C.....	2,876,334	3,998,227	4,843,458
New Haven, Conn.....	334,593	629,509	340,427	Winston Salem, N. C.	1,619,667	2,035,534	1,319,097
Newton, Mass.....	934,775	178,595	242,725				
Norwalk, Conn.....	551,010	780,130	742,275	Total So. Atlantic....	\$40,549,416	\$44,015,042	\$39,121,588
Portland, Me.....	448,316	1,367,945	265,450	East Central:			
Providence, R. I.....	357,800	305,750	453,550	Akron, Ohio.....	\$3,018,876	\$3,159,912	\$994,743
Quincy, Mass.....	642,377	311,345	40,576	Bay City, Mich.....	145,288	114,400	179,551
Salem, Mass.....	168,470	201,025	219,700	Berwyn, Ills.....	189,425	120,100	92,800
Somerville, Mass.....	132,672	107,840	63,435	Bluefield, W. Va.....	27,600	55,860	26,200
Springfield, Mass.....	353,987	898,015	820,770	Canon, Mo.....	347,731	1,060,490	345,729
Stamford, Conn.....	2,813,920	1,113,743	1,301,955	Chicago, Ills.....	33,463,188	21,769,008	24,879,734
Waterbury, Conn.....	290,300	401,480	265,150	Cincinnati, Ohio.....	2,400,940	2,838,260	5,056,735
West Hartford, Conn.....	509,090	1,274,004	959,765	Clarksburg, W. Va.....	290,985	61,032	21,646
Worcester, Mass.....	2,443,425	531,880	90,750	Cleveland, Ohio.....	2,412,600	3,403,000	2,415,300
Total New England...	\$16,947,232	\$15,915,875	\$17,087,185	Columbus, Ohio.....	5,508,050	2,387,420	2,620,450
Middle Atlantic:				Dayton, Ohio.....	1,420,950	1,209,014	682,020
Manhattan, N. Y.....*	\$13,460,735	\$59,303,700	\$14,328,159	Detroit, Mich.....	6,860,253	8,418,478	5,522,409
Manhattan, N. Y.....†	3,013,350	2,930,700	7,203,900	East St. Louis, Ills.....	20,530	653,300	29,994
Bronx.....*	4,595,800	4,443,050	2,840,500	Evansville, Ind.....	4,388,050	666,753	340,500
Bronx.....†	723,650	550,755	1,231,450	Evansville, Ind.....	82,260	638,624	473,740
Brooklyn.....*	4,453,150	5,815,200	8,271,600	Flint, Mich.....	605,225	1,081,510	1,985,605
Brooklyn.....†	1,295,270	806,560	2,574,395	Fort Wayne, Ind.....	1,094,516	819,828	1,227,322
Queens.....*	26,604,470	12,513,490	12,667,490	Gary, Ind.....	354,956	1,258,307	972,200
Queens.....†	1,106,235	1,825,800	533,645	Grand Rapids, Mich.....	338,730	612,645	303,575
Richmond.....*	1,082,750	817,100	907,700	Green Bay, Wisc.....	276,150	405,017	212,967
Richmond.....†	139,275	165,300	44,500	Hammond, Ind.....	546,910	1,675,175	607,337
Total N. Y. City....	\$56,474,685	\$89,172,555	\$50,783,539	Huntington, W. Va.....	228,404	177,075	258,950
(*) New Work.	(†) Alterations.			Indianapolis, Ind.....	4,025,808	2,838,096	1,336,949
North Atlantic:				Lansing, Mich.....	283,220	879,410	191,381
Albany, N. Y.....	\$197,422	\$254,480	\$953,496	Lima, Ohio.....	68,600	143,600	117,150
Allentown, Pa.....	253,850	236,535	862,380	Louisville, Ky.....	1,498,187	3,665,227	598,429
Allentown, Pa.....	149,030	191,298	111,440	Madison, Wisc.....	367,725	575,660	341,103
Atlantic City, N. J.	197,133	937,713	117,233	Milwaukee, Wisc.....	13,458,459	5,384,135	5,201,281
Auburn, N. Y.....	122,350	42,700	35,400	Newark, Ohio.....	757,400	308,300	97,075
Bayonne, N. J.....	31,175	55,365	235,940	Oak Park, Ills.....	195,528	214,925	2,227,080
Binghamton, N. Y.....	873,353	125,011	107,975	Peoria, Ills.....	444,037	1,448,917	432,888
Buffalo, N. Y.....	708,164	738,270	584,777	Pontiac, Mich.....	622,142	703,940	262,410
Camden, N. J.....	213,970	177,223	445,321	Quincy, Ills.....	1,568,069	163,325	159,170
East Orange, N. J.....	220,372	3,140,778	85,825	Racine, Wisc.....	353,745	684,875	1,298,720
Elizabeth, N. J.....	448,848	135,674	654,325	Rockford, Ills.....	789,090	735,635	685,450
Elmira, N. Y.....	425,715	58,125	27,778	Saginaw, Mich.....	502,553	500,480	231,241
Erie, Pa.....	2,076,595	418,700	486,950	South Bend, Ind.....	2,053,283	588,535	955,945
Harrisburg, Pa.....	1,355,614	354,648	492,831	Springfield, Ills.....	216,785	2,641,709	73,900
Jamestown, N. Y.....	129,539	57,950	48,930	Springfield, Ohio.....	981,100	41,200	366,080
Jersey City, N. J.....	318,223	321,836	7,444,927	Superior, Wisc.....	12,390	208,955	37,889
Lancaster, Pa.....	88,875	157,352	61,566	Terre Haute, Ind.....	228,000	169,701	45,450
Mount Vernon, N. Y.	217,720	192,083	59,763	Toledo, Ohio.....	674,850	1,003,640	1,177,950
Newark, N. J.....	467,800	2,584,252	1,778,425	Waukegan, Ills.....	144,940	1,710,630	293,310
New Brunswick, N. J.	347,950	127,500	88,835	Wheeling, W. Va.....	1,805,876	246,535	371,252
New Rochelle, N. Y.	191,792	946,340	133,848	Youngstown, Ohio.....	935,228	1,045,437	910,033
Niagara Falls, N. Y.	1,022,487	463,179	687,745	Zanesville, Ohio.....	38,200	61,760	134,100
Philadelphia, Pa.....	4,893,980	6,124,910	7,411,080				
Pittsburgh, Pa.....	3,254,106	2,112,621	2,439,470	Total East Central...	\$96,048,886	\$78,204,904	\$67,022,799
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	62,500	291,086	56,000	South Central:			
Reading, Pa.....	295,937	256,085	317,618	Abilene, Texas.....	\$1,082,435	\$2,147,097	\$887,290
Rochester, N. Y.....	1,496,874	466,372	693,975	Amarillo, Texas.....	2,526,229	1,649,908	3,730,019
Schenectady, N. Y.....	401,365	135,400	69,975	Austin, Texas.....	2,627,910	2,242,850	5,586,211
Scranton, Pa.....	169,170	78,430	1,209,123	Beaumont, Texas.....	1,163,158	442,633	1,346,583
Syracuse, N. Y.....	501,965	727,090	481,780	Birmingham, Ala.....	2,554,489	2,364,225	4,090,635
Troy, N. Y.....	71,357	176,545	113,287	Chattanooga, Tenn.....	648,509	855,777	944,397
Utica, N. Y.....	74,500	11,500	29,225	Dallas, Texas.....	8,574,390	12,059,207	8,544,248
Watertown, N. Y.....	44,928	25,076	20,100	El Paso, Texas.....	4,748,867	2,545,021	1,767,685
White Plains, N. Y.	2,038,387	2,954,615	518,322	Fort Smith, Ark.....	290,423	265,547	814,422
Wilkes Barre, Pa.....	90,033	151,762	29,922	Fort Worth, Texas.....	3,896,422	3,410,504	6,783,194
Williamsport, Pa.....	162,670	139,730	317,842	Galveston, Texas.....	240,019	377,745	122,506
Wilmington, Dela.....	2,374,763	463,973	448,304	Houston, Texas.....	21,455,533	16,283,631	28,325,731
Yonkers, N. Y.....	392,339	1,147,676	1,271,390	Jackson, Miss.....	656,560	939,523	944,397
York, Pa.....	528,777	213,700	110,702	Knoxville, Tenn.....	227,727	1,751,600	313,039
Total Middle Atl....	\$83,355,413	\$116,366,738	\$82,213,541	Little Rock, Ark.....	1,322,567	380,221	516,460
				Memphis, Tenn.....	2,642,520	2,024,854	1,957,864
				Mobile, Ala.....	4,830,458	1,562,758	2,221,822

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So. Cent. (Cont.)				Mountain:			
Montgomery, Ala.....	\$494,356	\$1,229,640	\$836,581	Albuquerque, N. Mex....	\$2,033,608	\$2,402,721	\$2,900,905
Muskogee, Okla.....	61,500	92,050	156,950	Billings, Mont.....	146,000	237,550	75,400
Nashville, Tenn.....	348,727	329,133	393,018	Boise, Idaho.....	162,044	220,778	236,640
New Orleans, La.....	4,915,452	4,388,107	6,284,740	Butte, Mont.....	47,750	27,750	518,250
Oklahoma City, Okla....	3,948,305	2,671,933	1,793,085	Colorado Springs, Col..	1,259,175	984,370	749,665
Port Arthur, Texas.....	430,180	248,917	476,685	Denver, Col.....	4,065,900	7,167,425	4,469,150
San Angelo, Texas.....	608,638	604,686	3,337,173	Great Falls, Mont.....	1,710,389	409,493	297,421
San Antonio, Texas....	3,276,147	10,124,603	4,836,068	Ogden, Utah.....	417,200	192,700	173,400
Shreveport, La.....	2,008,908	3,070,906	1,265,697	Phoenix, Ariz.....	2,348,350	2,112,177	1,467,850
Tulsa, Okla.....	802,025	1,107,650	495,726	Pueblo, Col.....	1,063,246	681,739	1,102,065
Waco, Texas.....	2,138,783	994,761	662,623	Salt Lake City, Utah....	716,414	1,296,287	359,584
Wichita Falls, Texas....	747,259	1,243,642	1,049,940	Tucson, Ariz.....	1,199,665	2,742,772	1,038,355
Total So. Central....	\$79,268,506	\$77,236,207	\$90,388,169	Total Mountain.....	\$15,161,781	\$18,495,762	\$13,405,693
West Central:				Pacific:			
Cedar Rapids, Iowa....	\$283,746	\$483,103	\$367,786	Bakersfield, Cal.....	\$937,882	\$998,505	\$879,305
Davenport, Iowa.....	597,232	590,356	574,015	Berkeley, Cal.....	248,746	520,555	942,787
Des Moines, Iowa.....	1,493,668	1,145,045	485,458	Beverly Hills, Cal....	1,045,972	649,511	876,860
Dubuque, Iowa.....	89,425	1,549,488	494,560	Fresno, Cal.....	1,554,867	957,218	990,212
Duluth, Minn.....	164,200	168,707	139,873	Glendale, Cal.....	1,319,654	1,923,989	1,209,822
Fargo, N. D.....	69,650	36,900	158,600	Long Beach, Cal.....	4,618,580	2,796,945	4,422,110
Kansas City, Kas.....	610,791	284,887	668,657	Los Angeles, Cal.....	31,254,274	31,354,360	37,150,330
Kansas City, Mo.....	3,734,000	1,933,000	2,559,000	Oakland, Cal.....	2,348,319	2,430,360	4,422,327
Lincoln, Neb.....	520,805	1,049,559	207,776	Pasadena, Cal.....	1,773,462	1,428,545	1,105,673
Minneapolis, Minn.....	1,464,615	1,091,206	2,029,983	Portland, Ore.....	1,732,135	2,412,030	4,852,555
Omaha, Neb.....	2,075,716	2,002,955	1,519,557	Sacramento, Cal.....	1,338,225	1,922,035	2,654,825
St. Joseph, Mo.....	325,300	254,200	137,100	San Diego, Cal.....	6,419,132	6,394,897	14,092,635
St. Louis, Mo.....	1,545,714	2,957,365	3,572,160	San Francisco, Cal....	3,469,767	2,997,217	5,036,441
St. Paul, Minn.....	5,267,407	1,933,628	1,478,628	San Jose, Cal.....	3,745,775	2,496,010	3,729,444
Sioux City, Iowa.....	264,100	269,000	88,900	Seattle, Wash.....	6,842,297	4,371,350	4,817,520
Sioux Falls, S. D.....	166,445	168,732	224,467	Spokane, Wash.....	2,625,728	928,502	507,303
Topeka, Kas.....	709,840	673,150	621,270	Stockton, Cal.....	653,812	756,996	744,324
Wichita, Kas.....	2,767,502	5,047,533	1,379,925	Tacoma, Wash.....	861,455	1,160,286	1,571,239
Total West Central...	\$22,249,456	\$20,888,474	\$16,699,709	Total Pacific.....	\$72,826,312	\$66,469,347	\$90,055,712
Total 217 Cities.....				Total 217 Cities.....	\$432,407,002	\$437,622,349	\$415,994,306

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New England:				Middle Atl. (Cont.)			
Boston, Mass.....	\$2,295,000	\$6,227,183	\$4,765,141	Auburn, N. Y.....	\$157,750	\$154,059	\$82,200
Bridgeport, Conn.....	2,045,650	1,560,740	1,085,900	Bayonne, N. J.....	267,115	150,240	101,850
Bristol, Conn.....	304,060	779,916	302,979	Binghamton, N. Y....	981,328	181,790	194,909
Brockton, Mass.....	210,400	726,255	698,210	Buffalo, N. Y.....	1,262,941	1,356,460	2,290,256
Cambridge, Mass.....	676,730	356,615	579,511	Camden, N. J.....	659,201	321,975	322,789
Chelsea, Mass.....	27,695	92,335	38,370	Charlotte, N. C.....	306,197	3,335,918	2,917,600
Everett, Mass.....	376,760	89,061	306,400	Elizabeth, N. J.....	1,133,173	524,129	277,062
Fall River, Mass.....	288,425	174,325	207,288	Elmira, N. J.....	453,493	81,050	50,555
Fitchburg, Mass.....	378,445	122,405	47,630	Erie, Pa.....	2,563,545	813,910	983,770
Greenwich, Conn.....	1,106,054	1,540,954	1,385,890	Harrisburg, Pa.....	1,848,445	662,055	6,484,507
Hartford, Conn.....	6,820,594	1,208,496	9,549,480	Jameson, N. Y.....	412,726	87,280	1,956,469
Haverhill, Mass.....	576,425	54,275	267,745	Jersey City, N. J....	7,263,150	545,180	2,917,600
Holyoke, Mass.....	928,125	170,675	446,750	Lancaster, Pa.....	150,441	265,825	431,591
Lawrence, Mass.....	91,875	343,495	146,685	Mount Vernon, N. Y..	277,483	1,022,287	708,048
Lowell, Mass.....	274,300	378,260	141,190	Newark, N. J.....	2,246,225	6,557,787	1,290,755
Lynn, Mass.....	542,500	355,350	420,500	New Brunswick, N. J.	436,785	215,400	257,100
Manchester, N. H.....	667,435	780,709	515,267	New Rochelle, N. Y..	325,640	1,488,412	3,408,475
Medford, Mass.....	120,370	189,160	152,800	Niagara Falls, N. Y..	1,710,232	1,087,569	1,037,542
New Bedford, Mass.....	217,501	1,365,054	201,400	Philadelphia, Pa.....	12,305,060	15,019,230	16,820,220
New Britain, Conn.....	461,400	585,750	638,250	Pittsburgh, Pa.....	5,693,576	5,422,757	14,154,385
New Haven, Conn.....	675,020	1,281,408	2,230,648	Poughkeepsie, N. Y..	118,500	466,311	82,399
Newton, Mass.....	1,177,500	278,655	539,205	Reading, Pa.....	613,555	484,738	967,207
Norwalk, Conn.....	1,293,285	1,177,100	2,331,571	Rochester, N. Y.....	2,190,849	800,042	4,038,023
Portland, Me.....	614,766	1,552,888	694,611	Schenectady, N. Y....	1,610,488	246,151	268,600
Providence, R. I.....	811,350	607,850	1,799,400	Scranton, Pa.....	390,065	502,150	1,033,428
Quincy, Mass.....	688,953	530,116	258,765	Syracuse, N. Y.....	1,043,745	1,775,040	1,518,200
Salem, Mass.....	388,170	362,795	511,380	Troy, N. Y.....	184,644	187,545	256,816
Somerville, Mass.....	196,107	132,071	38,005	Utica, N. Y.....	103,725	60,500	104,000
Springfield, Mass....	1,174,757	3,992,221	2,156,945	Watertown, N. Y.....	65,028	128,891	28,910
Stamford, Conn.....	4,115,885	2,287,493	1,905,066	White Plains, N. Y..	2,556,709	4,207,165	963,795
Waterbury, Conn.....	490,450	712,230	1,100,354	Wilkes Barre, Pa....	119,055	253,979	400,137
West Hartford, Conn..	1,468,855	1,746,561	236,655	Williamsport, Pa....	391,512	333,431	246,408
Worcester, Mass.....	2,534,175	1,150,030	824,407	Wilmington, Del.....	2,823,067	1,017,410	862,124
Total New England...	\$34,034,417	\$32,901,231	\$37,419,404	Yonkers, N. Y.....	1,663,729	2,051,624	933,260
Middle Atlantic:				York, Pa.....	639,472	361,366	258,484
Manhattan.....	\$27,788,894	\$90,913,998	\$44,043,300	Total Middle Atl.....	\$165,568,954	\$204,478,278	\$169,133,632
Manhattan.....†	10,217,250	5,328,050	4,805,380	South Atlantic:			
Bronx.....	7,430,300	9,685,650	5,781,702	Asheville, N. C.....	\$682,295	\$576,586	\$378,900
Bronx.....†	2,055,100	1,006,235	1,430,883	Atlanta, Ga.....	9,222,408	8,775,131	16,282,570
Brooklyn.....	12,724,750	9,724,800	10,834,000	Augusta, Ga.....	676,475	832,854	756,743
Brooklyn.....†	3,869,665	3,236,670	3,697,105	Baltimore, Md.....	16,634,865	13,320,396	19,851,668
Queens.....	39,271,960	25,842,871	22,929,504	Charleston, S. C.....	341,182	383,317	390,002
Queens.....†	1,660,080	3,354,875	1,812,585	Charlotte, N. C.....	2,599,294	4,155,397	2,682,193
Richmond.....	2,050,450	1,603,350	1,645,975	Coral Gables, Fla....	2,153,014	1,769,283	2,158,951
Richmond.....†	183,775	212,005	130,345	Greensboro, N. C.....	2,865,729	2,533,825	1,213,815
Total New York City...	\$107,258,224	\$150,908,504	\$97,110,839	Greenville, S. C.....	398,579	1,146,906	907,550
(*) New York, N. Y.†	†Alterations.			Jacksonville, Fla....	5,071,136	3,973,241	2,908,182
Albany, N. Y.....	\$1,150,918	\$650,075	\$2,633,978	Lynchburg, Va.....	1,339,075	866,595	899,064
Allentown, Pa.....	1,110,230	2,490,085	1,996,700	Macon, Ga.....	722,264	633,860	458,886
Altoona, Pa.....	260,470	273,533	191,874	Miami, Fla.....	8,384,929	6,990,088	10,542,670
Atlantic City, N. J....	314,366	1,997,122	189,537	Miami Beach, Fla....	6,799,519	1,531,131	4,270,751
				Norfolk, Va.....	1,563,058	2,131,581	1,751,357

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	2 MONTHS 1957	2 MONTHS 1956	2 MONTHS 1955		2 MONTHS 1957	2 MONTHS 1956	2 MONTHS 1955
South Atl. (Cont.)				South Cent. (Cont.)			
Richmond, Va.....	\$5,168,967	\$3,443,163	\$2,223,215	Mobile, Ala.....	\$7,052,280	\$2,679,480	\$2,145,054
Roanoke, Va.....	1,081,565	2,556,604	1,821,058	Montgomery, Ala.....	1,330,937	2,338,637	2,420,982
Savannah, Ga.....	494,750	729,634	1,125,005	Muskogee, Okla.....	218,450	156,100	161,700
Tampa, Fla.....	8,213,144	11,359,894	8,244,567	Nashville, Tenn.....	741,745	1,971,044	1,427,090
Washington, D. C.....	7,719,792	6,926,494	8,516,163	New Orleans, La.....	11,200,202	12,447,885	35,138,483
Winston Salem, N. C.....	2,938,764	2,740,863	1,907,779	Oklahoma City, Okla.....	5,741,390	5,636,766	5,992,241
Total South Atl.....	\$85,671,004	\$77,376,818	\$89,289,089	Port Arthur, Texas.....	906,865	600,436	1,037,510
East Central				San Angelo, Texas.....	3,945,811	1,267,761	1,451,551
Alton, Ohio.....	\$4,013,619	\$7,049,274	\$3,087,755	San Antonio, Texas.....	8,112,215	16,287,435	11,272,753
Bay City, Mich.....	324,839	331,348	301,094	Shreveport, La.....	3,274,605	5,706,450	3,319,636
Berwyn, Ills.....	282,225	256,799	565,379	Tulsa, Okla.....	1,207,751	2,928,900	3,277,540
Bluefield, W. Va.....	53,800	67,605	40,480	Waco, Texas.....	2,801,406	2,027,161	2,622,137
Canton, Ohio.....	1,193,460	979,528	720,014	Wichita Falls, Texas.....	1,707,109	1,877,256	1,996,594
Chicago, Ills.....	58,741,922	47,639,194	29,102,600	Total South Cent.....	\$169,656,675	\$167,563,902	\$177,066,043
Cincinnati, Ohio.....	7,457,675	5,815,920	5,603,525	West Central			
Clarkeburg, W. Va.....	312,631	105,738	223,347	Cedar Rapids, Iowa.....	\$651,532	\$1,853,538	\$1,445,350
Cleveland, Ohio.....	4,827,900	10,102,800	5,926,100	Des Moines, Iowa.....	1,171,247	824,966	846,120
Columbus, Ohio.....	8,128,500	4,477,370	4,117,085	Des Moines, Iowa.....	1,979,126	1,799,870	1,733,526
Dayton, Ohio.....	2,102,970	2,690,734	3,794,875	Dubuque, Iowa.....	583,985	1,614,138	99,569
Detroit, Mich.....	12,382,662	16,706,742	22,804,163	Duluth, Minn.....	304,073	460,622	278,590
East St. Louis, Ills.....	100,577	945,900	520,900	Fargo, N. D.....	228,250	73,925	362,405
Evansville, Ind.....	4,728,550	1,755,761	861,676	Kansas City, Mo.....	1,278,748	1,324,266	2,300,968
Evansville, Ind.....	226,000	760,734	806,062	Kansas City, Mo.....	6,293,000	4,965,000	8,536,000
Flint, Mich.....	2,590,890	3,372,020	2,828,130	Lincoln, Neb.....	728,581	1,625,661	1,873,394
Fort Wayne, Ind.....	2,321,838	2,386,184	3,737,351	Minneapolis, Minn.....	3,493,598	2,286,252	3,263,923
Gary, Ind.....	1,327,156	2,036,763	1,834,324	Omaha, Neb.....	3,595,273	3,539,155	1,377,970
Grand Rapids, Mich.....	642,305	1,019,715	1,259,235	St. Joseph, Mo.....	455,400	347,800	1,182,700
Green Bay, Wis.....	491,117	960,626	6,066,924	St. Louis, Mo.....	5,117,874	4,584,588	11,562,460
Hammond, Ind.....	1,154,247	3,029,281	1,802,653	St. Paul, Minn.....	6,846,029	2,515,440	3,927,551
Huntington, W. Va.....	487,354	372,687	522,140	St. Paul, Minn.....	533,000	537,700	276,950
Indianapolis, Ind.....	5,362,757	5,232,698	2,331,718	St. Paul, Minn.....	390,912	496,014	541,885
Lansing, Mich.....	474,601	1,572,385	5,276,515	Topeka, Kan.....	1,331,110	1,059,960	330,345
Lima, Ohio.....	185,750	836,725	2,631,876	Wichita, Kan.....	4,147,427	7,106,164	10,173,485
Louisville, Ky.....	2,096,616	4,959,940	1,322,660	Total West Central.....	\$38,949,165	\$37,116,059	\$49,113,191
Madison, Wis.....	708,825	877,070	16,875,833	Mountain			
Milwaukee, Wis.....	18,659,740	10,243,092	403,900	Albuquerque, N. M.....	\$4,934,513	\$6,679,209	\$6,285,079
Newark, Ohio.....	854,475	430,060	2,553,491	Billings, Mont.....	221,400	363,550	232,550
Oak Park, Ills.....	2,432,608	328,445	1,596,266	Boise, Idaho.....	398,732	502,739	861,064
Peoria, Ills.....	876,925	1,715,124	360,443	Butte, Mont.....	566,000	57,469	65,284
Pontiac, Mich.....	884,552	1,188,023	2,722,260	Colorado Springs, Col.....	2,001,840	2,649,648	2,551,975
Quincy, Ills.....	1,727,239	288,440	1,577,035	Denver, Col.....	8,552,050	15,889,828	17,969,600
Racine, Wis.....	1,652,465	1,726,713	1,431,742	Great Falls, Mont.....	2,007,810	816,099	525,720
Rockford, Ills.....	1,472,540	2,011,695	1,709,045	Ogden, Utah.....	590,600	498,500	797,500
Saginaw, Mich.....	733,794	789,522	1,206,941	Phoenix, Ariz.....	3,816,200	3,283,433	2,210,306
South Bend, Ind.....	3,009,228	2,805,363	289,900	Pueblo, Colo.....	2,165,311	1,049,391	2,022,581
Springfield, Ills.....	290,685	151,000	16,175	Salt Lake City, U.....	1,075,998	2,533,838	1,691,135
Springfield, Ohio.....	1,347,180	372,440	171,151	Tucson, Ariz.....	2,237,090	3,628,014	1,999,457
Superior, Wis.....	50,279	273,450	1,472,885	Total Mountain.....	\$28,567,474	\$37,951,718	\$37,212,251
Terre Haute, Ind.....	273,450	1,834,790	2,418,910	Pacific			
Toledo, Ohio.....	1,852,800	2,418,910	344,300	Bakersfield, Cal.....	\$1,817,187	\$2,784,281	\$2,827,949
Waukegan, Ills.....	2,177,128	685,261	989,460	Berkeley, Cal.....	1,191,533	1,178,309	1,052,448
Wheeling, W. Va.....	1,845,261	2,691,426	73,292	Beverly Hills, Cal.....	1,923,832	1,197,917	1,480,225
Youngstown, Ohio.....	172,300	97,610	8,549,969	Fresno, Cal.....	2,545,079	2,037,713	3,574,682
Zanesville, Ohio.....	172,300	97,610	8,549,969	Glendale, Cal.....	2,529,476	4,771,503	1,476,406
Total East Central.....	\$163,071,685	\$157,009,457	\$143,122,625	Long Beach, Cal.....	9,040,690	5,273,985	8,081,195
South Central				Los Angeles, Cal.....	68,404,604	71,454,404	65,119,387
Abilene, Texas.....	\$1,969,725	\$3,958,606	\$3,200,374	Oakland, Cal.....	6,806,646	4,646,257	3,268,775
Amarillo, Texas.....	6,256,248	3,441,083	3,898,700	Pasadena, Cal.....	2,879,135	2,984,204	2,187,149
Austin, Texas.....	8,214,121	5,835,050	5,800,160	Portland, Ore.....	6,584,690	5,911,590	6,717,780
Beaumont, Texas.....	2,509,741	3,650,747	1,426,936	Sacramento, Cal.....	3,993,050	7,875,806	3,775,997
Birmingham, Ala.....	6,645,124	5,306,411	6,026,805	San Diego, Cal.....	20,511,767	10,394,571	17,947,777
Chattanooga, Tenn.....	1,496,266	1,565,900	1,233,240	San Francisco, Cal.....	8,555,508	12,605,256	7,641,109
Dallas, Texas.....	17,118,638	36,213,132	31,903,495	San Jose, Cal.....	7,475,219	5,966,175	3,226,785
El Paso, Texas.....	6,516,552	5,342,357	5,967,950	Seattle, Wash.....	11,659,747	9,072,420	12,234,035
Fort Smith, Ark.....	1,104,845	823,758	689,571	Spokane, Wash.....	3,133,031	2,749,492	2,340,536
Fort Worth, Texas.....	10,679,616	5,762,679	8,536,730	Stockton, Cal.....	1,398,136	1,508,183	1,367,962
Galveston, Texas.....	362,525	738,448	351,915	Tacoma, Wash.....	2,432,694	2,170,748	2,044,460
Houston, Texas.....	49,781,264	26,409,296	21,130,072	Total Pacific.....	\$162,882,024	\$154,582,544	\$146,364,657
Jackson, Miss.....	1,600,957	2,435,081	2,612,967	Total 217 Cities.....	\$848,401,398	\$868,980,007	\$848,720,892
Knoxville, Tenn.....	540,766	2,465,515	1,376,152				
Little Rock, Ark.....	1,839,027	1,060,923	2,097,736				
Memphis, Tenn.....	4,600,384	6,409,605	8,549,969				

BUILDING PERMIT VALUES FOR 217 CITIES—MONTHLY—1955 TO DATE

TOTAL UNITED STATES - 217 CITIES				NEW YORK CITY			OUTSIDE NEW YORK CITY - 216 CITIES		
1957	1956	1955		1957	1956	1955	1957	1956	1955
Jan.....	\$415,994,396	\$431,357,658	\$406,628,525	\$50,783,539	\$61,735,949	\$49,423,105	\$365,210,857	\$369,621,709	\$357,205,420
Feb.....	432,407,002	437,622,349	442,092,367	56,474,685	89,172,555	47,687,734	375,932,317	346,449,794	394,404,633
Mar.....	503,133,253	542,997,099	542,997,099	52,512,472	59,577,583	50,577,583	450,620,781	483,419,516	483,419,516
Apr.....	524,093,168	521,173,029	521,173,029	33,453,589	49,939,864	49,939,864	490,639,579	471,233,165	471,233,165
May.....	596,114,034	565,327,637	565,327,637	70,889,351	65,782,634	65,782,634	525,224,683	499,545,003	499,545,003
June.....	588,856,212	634,030,839	634,030,839	50,349,355	99,080,484	99,080,484	508,505,857	534,950,355	534,950,355
July.....	593,229,352	511,841,797	511,841,797	95,455,909	51,383,412	51,383,412	497,773,443	460,458,385	460,458,385
Aug.....	615,258,760	555,829,122	555,829,122	114,957,757	41,436,766	41,436,766	500,301,003	514,392,356	514,392,356
Sept.....	526,234,213	477,025,801	477,025,801	96,679,762	58,177,460	58,177,460	429,554,451	418,848,341	418,848,341
Oct.....	535,228,128	487,392,751	487,392,751	72,251,619	44,087,975	44,087,975	462,976,509	443,304,776	443,304,776
Nov.....	489,401,866	429,366,384	429,366,384	74,795,675	55,764,815	55,764,815	414,606,191	373,601,569	373,601,569
Dec.....	386,355,828	349,091,618	349,091,618	49,355,515	45,121,585	45,121,585	337,000,313	303,970,033	303,970,033
Total.....	\$6,196,884,821	\$5,922,796,969	\$5,922,796,969	\$861,609,508	\$667,463,417	\$667,463,417	\$5,335,275,313	\$5,255,333,552	\$5,255,333,552

NEW BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS BY STATES AND GEOGRAPHICAL REGIONS

	FEB. 1957	JAN. • 1957	DEC. 1956	FEB. 1956	1957	TWO MONTHS 1956	1955	1954
NEW ENGLAND								
Maine.....	41	51	65	42	92	107	90	70
New Hampshire.....	30	40	46	31	70	79	53	52
Vermont.....	18	15	32	11	33	32	34	21
Massachusetts.....	312	427	526	328	739	707	688	554
Connecticut.....	140	247	155	216	387	425	379	285
Rhode Island.....	85	126	107	115	211	225	197	153
Total New England.....	626	906	931	743	1,532	1,575	1,441	1,135
MIDDLE ATLANTIC								
New York.....	2,151	2,935	1,871	2,454	5,086	5,494	5,525	4,361
New Jersey.....	587	864	637	746	1,451	1,623	1,507	1,110
Pennsylvania.....	303	442	315	405	745	830	738	604
Total Middle Atlantic.....	3,041	4,241	2,823	3,605	7,282	7,947	7,770	6,075
EAST NORTH CENTRAL								
Ohio.....	654	832	658	740	1,486	1,542	1,355	1,132
Indiana.....	191	237	171	203	428	389	337	244
Illinois.....	512	681	511	685	1,193	1,332	1,092	907
Michigan.....	284	271	289	517	555	912	900	718
Wisconsin.....	174	173	164	222	347	438	399	234
Total East North Central.....	1,815	2,194	1,793	2,367	4,009	4,613	4,083	3,235
WEST NORTH CENTRAL								
Minnesota.....	117	176	160	132	293	287	330	246
Iowa.....	45	62	72	58	107	127	145	74
Missouri.....	173	194	193	184	367	480	445	332
North Dakota.....	7	19	22	17	26	37	43	30
South Dakota.....	23	25	22	15	48	39	49	35
Nebraska.....	52	58	54	75	110	131	124	79
Kansas.....	69	68	75	78	137	165	166	112
Total West North Central.....	486	602	598	559	1,088	1,266	1,302	908
SOUTH ATLANTIC								
Maryland.....	210	238	134	231	448	429	471	343
Delaware.....	265	346	274	261	611	525	634	461
Virginia.....	124	142	171	199	266	422	354	263
West Virginia.....	55	91	56	40	146	137	130	133
North Carolina.....	264	157	103	168	421	342	326	226
South Carolina.....	90	55	61	94	145	208	147	116
Georgia.....	167	242	159	163	409	371	351	273
Florida.....	792	812	787	643	1,604	1,352	1,189	780
Total South Atlantic.....	1,967	2,083	1,745	1,799	4,050	3,796	3,602	2,595
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL								
Kentucky.....	82	112	99	97	194	218	166	119
Tennessee.....	104	138	134	123	242	270	280	196
Alabama.....	92	115	66	121	207	224	170	119
Mississippi.....	44	76	47	51	120	113	104	87
Total East South Central.....	322	441	346	392	763	825	720	521
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL								
Arkansas.....	35	77	75	79	112	153	100	77
Oklahoma.....	96	127	106	131	223	277	264	172
Louisiana.....	149	223	112	132	372	315	258	172
Texas.....	503	289	442	807	792	1,136	941	571
Total West South Central.....	783	716	735	1,149	1,499	1,881	1,563	992
MOUNTAIN								
Montana.....	28	41	22	29	69	44	57	50
Idaho.....	46	28	45	40	74	99	70	56
Wyoming.....	14	28	18	24	42	49	50	38
Colorado.....	136	179	137	131	315	274	352	218
New Mexico.....	36	36	45	38	72	67	89	67
Arizona.....	102	153	121	113	255	236	210	159
Utah.....	47	61	34	52	108	95	127	92
Nevada.....	73	83	79	91	156	171	219	112
Total Mountain.....	482	609	501	518	1,091	1,035	1,174	781
PACIFIC								
Washington.....	113	152	146	136	265	304	298	199
Oregon.....	76	122	101	93	198	201	207	111
California.....	1,080	1,321	1,069	1,142	2,401	2,423	2,390	1,524
Total Pacific.....	1,269	1,595	1,316	1,371	2,864	2,928	2,895	1,834
TOTAL 48 STATES.....	10,791	13,387	10,788	12,503	24,178	25,866	24,550	18,076

(*) January data revised due to erroneous inclusion of non-stock, non-profit corporations.

NEW BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS—48 STATES—MONTHLY—1947 to Date

	1957	1956	1955	1954	1953	1952	1951	1950	1949	1948	1947
January.....	13,387*	13,363	13,181	9,543	9,468	8,357	8,515	9,070	7,906	11,000	12,112
February.....	10,791	12,503	11,369	8,533	7,943	7,138	6,590	7,736	6,362	7,873	9,111
March.....		12,822	13,417	10,514	9,659	7,902	7,649	9,180	7,637	9,346	10,247
April.....		12,475	11,756	10,272	9,507	8,284	7,653	8,375	7,273	9,223	9,802
May.....		13,142	12,029	9,280	8,968	7,915	7,544	9,216	7,445	8,246	9,179
June.....		11,952	12,605	9,748	8,926	7,819	6,810	8,861	7,260	8,550	8,922
July.....		11,513	10,893	9,409	8,703	7,549	6,428	7,191	6,424	7,690	9,041
August.....		11,339	10,983	9,041	7,487	7,088	6,496	7,201	6,828	6,723	8,055
September.....		9,583	11,024	9,256	7,433	7,529	5,950	6,277	6,867	6,930	8,561
October.....		11,546	10,698	9,852	8,267	8,223	6,812	6,782	6,877	6,686	9,609
November.....		9,749	10,157	9,735	7,269	6,741	6,289	6,256	6,755	6,413	7,773
December.....		10,788	11,539	11,981	8,915	8,274	6,913	6,780	7,857	7,421	10,126
Total.....		140,775	139,651	117,164	102,545	92,819	83,649	92,925	85,491	96,101	112,638

Failures by Divisions of Industry—February and 2 Months 1957, 1956, and 1955

	NUMBER OF FAILURES						CURRENT LIABILITIES IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS					
	MONTH 1957	OF 1956	FEBRUARY 1955	1957	TWO MONTHS 1956	1955	MONTH 1957	OF 1956	FEBRUARY 1955	1957	TWO MONTHS 1956	1955
Mining & Manufacturing:												
Mining—Coal, Oil, Miscellaneous....	4	2	6	10	4	10	2,069	1,618	763	3,599	1,732	961
Food & Kindred Products.....	15	24	17	28	40	37	1,552	1,549	1,452	3,151	2,432	2,519
Textile Mill Products & Apparel....	38	46	45	91	102	92	2,396	3,520	1,323	4,913	6,007	3,724
Lumber & Lumber Products.....	38	32	17	72	62	40	2,470	2,446	668	5,062	3,710	1,345
Paper, Printing & Publishing.....	12	10	8	23	19	22	363	197	527	970	453	1,296
Chemicals & Allied Products.....	2	3	2	5	7	5	259	182	120	946	1,929	776
Leather & Leather Products.....	9	9	5	14	17	17	1,907	594	87	2,404	912	677
Stone, Clay & Glass Products.....	8	...	2	11	1	4	333	...	35	407	55	293
Iron, Steel & Products.....	14	10	12	24	22	26	16,075	937	3,193	17,647	2,818	4,593
Machinery.....	24	33	30	43	57	47	2,811	5,345	6,176	4,663	6,411	7,712
Transportation Equipment.....	7	7	4	13	13	10	514	419	1,335	996	1,277	1,874
Miscellaneous.....	28	26	39	62	71	73	2,653	840	3,243	4,749	4,353	4,788
Total Mining & Manufacturing.....	199	202	188	396	411	383	33,402	17,647	18,922	49,507	32,089	30,558
Wholesale Trade:												
Food & Farm Products.....	24	24	25	42	54	55	2,841	812	1,231	4,083	1,884	2,259
Apparel.....	5	8	8	11	14	13	120	199	199	718	442	302
Dry Goods.....	1	3	2	6	6	7	5	59	181	46	128	392
Lumber, Bldg. Mtls., Hardware....	6	19	11	18	29	23	186	1,314	590	749	1,066	984
Chemicals & Drugs.....	8	1	3	9	7	7	365	7	57	383	126	174
Motor Vehicles & Auto Equipment..	10	5	9	17	9	13	564	292	304	1,162	647	398
Miscellaneous.....	52	48	46	98	95	100	2,210	2,365	1,776	4,485	4,230	4,220
Total Wholesale Trade.....	106	108	104	197	214	218	6,291	5,048	4,338	11,626	9,423	8,729
Retail Trade:												
Food & Liquor.....	90	77	63	191	162	146	1,477	1,038	793	3,133	2,168	2,373
General Merchandise.....	28	24	17	62	44	36	717	2,488	384	3,030	2,865	1,111
Apparel & Accessories.....	90	100	72	230	206	164	1,687	3,326	1,458	4,346	5,119	3,250
Furniture, Home Furnishings.....	87	77	76	173	155	131	2,470	2,090	2,310	6,178	4,731	3,761
Lumber, Bldg. Mtls., Hardware....	34	23	23	66	60	47	1,723	1,067	574	2,491	2,196	1,165
Automotive Group.....	67	52	31	126	115	72	1,423	1,578	767	3,857	6,280	1,620
Eating & Drinking Places.....	101	94	70	198	171	138	3,507	2,094	1,590	6,022	4,086	2,817
Drug Stores.....	15	17	7	29	26	18	318	338	149	1,350	453	347
Miscellaneous.....	56	47	53	105	107	116	1,458	674	897	2,729	1,731	2,131
Total Retail Trade.....	568	511	412	1,180	1,046	868	14,780	14,693	8,928	32,642	29,629	18,575
Construction:												
General Building Contractors.....	58	56	38	144	100	64	5,079	5,788	4,862	12,336	8,291	10,597
Building Sub-Contractors.....	98	80	66	187	154	122	2,625	3,703	2,305	5,540	6,873	5,141
Other Contractors.....	14	5	9	26	13	14	736	390	457	1,236	880	930
Total Construction.....	180	141	113	357	267	200	8,440	9,881	7,624	19,112	16,044	16,668
Commercial Services:												
Passenger & Freight Transportation..	34	18	19	51	34	41	1,113	696	841	1,762	1,416	2,074
Miscellaneous Public Services.....	3	1	..	5	2	3	10	25	..	389	43	124
Hotels.....	3	4	3	6	11	8	500	597	768	901	2,060	1,445
Cleaning, Dyeing & Repairing.....	12	3	8	20	14	18	188	40	71	260	159	298
Laundries.....	5	4	6	9	8	12	153	134	130	1,082	295	409
Undertakers.....	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	33	10	..	33
Other Personal Services.....	4	7	5	10	13	14	31	47	76	83	95	151
Business & Repair Services.....	32	25	18	62	52	50	498	381	325	2,062	826	864
Total Commercial Service.....	93	62	60	164	134	147	2,493	1,920	2,244	6,579	4,894	5,398
TOTAL UNITED STATES.....	1,146	1,024	877	2,294	2,072	1,816	65,406	49,189	42,056	119,466	92,079	79,928

Failures in Large Cities—February and 2 Months 1957, 1956, and 1955

Cities (1940 Population Ranking)	NUMBER OF FAILURES						CURRENT LIABILITIES IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS					
	MONTH 1957	OF 1956	FEBRUARY 1955	1957	TWO MONTHS 1956	1955	MONTH 1957	OF 1956	FEBRUARY 1955	1957	TWO MONTHS 1956	1955
New York, N. Y.....	130	172	179	307	380	356	4,396	6,357	9,231	13,200	12,532	14,769
Chicago, Ill.....	31	30	24	62	53	50	3,909	2,320	1,191	4,664	4,996	1,833
Philadelphia, Pa.....	23	27	18	54	53	38	1,838	868	925	2,524	1,433	1,451
Detroit, Mich.....	22	9	9	42	23	13	1,513	408	2,317	2,326	914	2,450
Los Angeles, Cal.....	29	30	42	57	61	82	1,191	1,398	1,148	3,130	2,255	2,297
Cleveland, Ohio.....	11	18	6	23	25	12	169	280	339	524	516	497
Baltimore, Md.....	6	10	8	19	15	17	141	534	134	1,555	660	252
St. Louis, Mo.....	7	10	4	11	14	5	293	857	36	412	975	67
Boston, Mass.....	7	15	12	14	19	26	246	1,939	350	485	2,114	911
Pittsburgh, Pa.....	9	..	5	18	6	9	337	..	870	3,029	89	1,451
Washington, D. C.....	6	3	3	11	4	7	229	38	101	423	94	5,952
San Francisco, Cal.....	13	9	17	30	24	35	506	144	803	928	458	1,216
Milwaukee, Wisc.....	4	5	18	11	14	25	447	30	378	794	244	584
Buffalo, N. Y.....	4	4	7	12	11	12	141	335	303	902	983	586
New Orleans, La.....	8	3	3	9	7	7	187	63	312	381	192	431
Minneapolis, Minn.....	12	4	4	20	11	9	173	677	168	469	963	324
Cincinnati, Ohio.....	2	3	4	7	7	8	53	80	191	220	142	338
Newark, N. J.....	4	13	6	11	24	16	156	406	153	414	1,807	707
Kansas City, Mo.....	8	1	..	13	4	..	253	73	..	587	217	..
Indianapolis, Ind.....	3	1	9	9	3	4	14	120	16	155	67	168
Houston, Texas.....	1	..	2	6	2	4	61	..	55	129	288	86
Seattle, Wash.....	12	4	9	22	11	13	186	43	309	522	202	372
Rochester, N. Y.....	4	4	3	12	10	7	382	115	28	767	646	74
Louisville, Ky.....	..	5	..	..	7	1	..	206	..	..	217	24
Denver, Col.....	13	14	9	26	21	11	1,821	375	323	2,666	558	349
Total 25 Cities.....	369	394	393	806	809	767	18,642	17,562	19,785	41,206	33,562	37,219
Balance of Country.....	777	630	484	1,488	1,263	1,049	46,764	31,627	22,271	78,260	58,517	42,709
Total United States.....	1,146	1,024	877	2,294	2,072	1,816	65,406	49,189	42,056	119,466	92,079	79,928

United States Failures by States—February and 2 Months 1957, 1956, and 1955

	NUMBER OF FAILURES						CURRENT LIABILITIES IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS								
	MONTH 1957	OF 1956	FEBRUARY 1955	1957	TWO MONTHS 1956	1955	MONTH 1957	OF 1956	FEBRUARY 1955	1957	TWO MONTHS 1956	1955	1957	TWO MONTHS 1956	1955
New England:															
Maine.....	7	2	2	9	5	6	348	53	40	367	76	109			
New Hampshire.....	4	..	5	7	..	10	85	..	540	142	..	660			
Vermont.....	..	2	1	2	2	2	..	217	22	65	217	43			
Massachusetts.....	27	47	28	54	62	68	1,385	3,589	845	2,725	4,147	2,448			
Connecticut.....	24	17	6	41	26	20	16,454	1,845	237	17,125	2,229	482			
Rhode Island.....	15	21	8	35	40	18	743	1,069	560	1,346	3,892	652			
Total New England.....	77	89	50	148	135	124	19,015	6,773	2,244	21,770	10,561	4,394			
Middle Atlantic:															
New York.....	197	233	225	474	508	448	6,316	8,669	11,624	21,012	17,396	18,574			
New Jersey.....	45	54	33	102	108	76	2,141	3,337	1,360	6,944	6,141	2,889			
Pennsylvania.....	76	50	48	146	109	111	3,803	1,857	2,466	7,838	3,862	5,994			
Total Middle Atlantic.....	318	337	306	722	725	635	12,260	13,863	15,450	35,794	27,399	27,457			
East North Central:															
Ohio.....	62	50	30	107	79	61	2,332	2,172	969	5,309	3,198	1,602			
Indiana.....	9	8	8	19	18	17	274	252	344	517	420	1,722			
Illinois.....	64	41	37	110	78	67	7,460	2,747	1,492	8,573	6,115	2,172			
Michigan.....	51	32	14	96	64	29	2,172	1,397	2,582	4,089	3,360	3,009			
Wisconsin.....	18	15	29	35	40	52	990	663	522	1,471	1,327	1,046			
Total East North Central..	204	146	118	367	279	226	13,228	7,231	5,916	19,959	14,420	9,551			
West North Central:															
Minnesota.....	19	19	13	34	31	22	468	1,079	2,836	909	1,471	3,378			
Iowa.....	10	4	1	12	15	5	144	96	15	183	552	80			
Missouri.....	19	14	4	30	25	11	702	1,237	35	1,213	1,667	301			
North Dakota.....	1	..	..	1	2	..	36	..	..	36	71	..			
South Dakota.....	1	..	..	1	..	1	65	..	..	82	..	23			
Nebraska.....	3	1	2	9	7	3	24	120	65	151	292	78			
Kansas.....	4	8	2	10	12	3	130	177	171	871	381	209			
Total West North Central..	58	46	22	99	92	45	1,569	2,709	3,122	3,445	4,434	4,069			
South Atlantic:															
Maryland.....	9	15	9	29	26	20	196	894	174	1,852	1,487	463			
Delaware.....	2	1	..	2	1	..	140	125	..	140	125	..			
District of Columbia.....	6	3	3	11	4	7	229	38	101	423	94	5,952			
Virginia.....	14	10	8	25	15	11	593	343	275	960	452	331			
West Virginia.....	5	6	13	12	13	16	243	117	796	483	209	876			
North Carolina.....	9	10	3	13	20	8	582	191	60	897	422	322			
South Carolina.....	5	5	7	20	9	18	291	106	622	408	248	1,180			
Georgia.....	17	20	12	28	31	29	505	1,038	357	1,090	1,407	701			
Florida.....	17	34	19	49	71	42	1,443	813	1,572	1,977	1,671	3,132			
Total South Atlantic.....	88	104	74	189	190	151	4,222	3,665	3,957	8,240	6,115	12,957			
East South Central:															
Kentucky.....	4	8	4	6	12	6	94	261	115	121	293	148			
Tennessee.....	15	14	5	29	33	16	399	2,089	80	1,003	2,382	270			
Alabama.....	7	7	6	19	8	13	197	262	225	566	272	485			
Mississippi.....	13	6	8	24	11	12	698	284	336	969	352	383			
Total East South Central..	39	35	23	78	64	47	1,388	2,896	756	2,659	3,299	1,286			
West South Central:															
Arkansas.....	5	1	2	9	1	8	40	2	30	238	2	358			
Oklahoma.....	4	6	3	10	18	9	186	181	192	546	480	377			
Louisiana.....	17	7	7	31	17	13	574	343	421	1,111	712	567			
Texas.....	28	27	16	62	56	29	980	1,560	1,062	3,539	5,965	1,454			
Total West South Central..	54	41	28	112	92	59	1,780	2,086	1,705	5,434	7,159	2,756			
Mountain:															
Montana.....	1	3	3	4	7	3	15	85	6	97	93	6			
Idaho.....	3	1	1	4	5	1	179	4	75	183	157	75			
Wyoming.....	..	..	2	1	..	3	..	..	25	7	..	35			
Colorado.....	21	17	11	39	26	13	2,031	594	368	3,102	878	394			
New Mexico.....	3	5	3	3	6	3	43	116	64	43	117	64			
Arizona.....	8	12	5	17	17	20	545	684	143	799	1,052	524			
Utah.....	4	4	7	9	10	15	172	98	141	479	241	1,265			
Nevada.....	3	3	3	6	11	4	305	578	29	426	1,585	44			
Total Mountain.....	43	45	35	83	82	62	3,290	2,159	851	5,136	4,123	2,407			
Pacific:															
Washington.....	48	13	23	85	32	38	1,619	308	754	2,622	803	1,198			
Oregon.....	32	7	2	68	20	10	1,252	1,234	76	2,160	1,655	236			
California.....	185	161	196	343	361	419	5,783	6,265	7,225	12,247	12,111	13,617			
Total Pacific.....	265	181	221	496	413	467	8,654	7,807	8,055	17,029	14,569	15,051			
Total United States.....	1,146	1,024	877	2,294	2,072	1,816	65,406	49,189	42,056	119,466	92,079	79,928			

Canadian Failures by Provinces—February and 2 Months 1957, 1956, and 1955

	NUMBER OF FAILURES						CURRENT LIABILITIES IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS								
	MONTH 1957	OF 1956	FEBRUARY 1955	1957	TWO MONTHS 1956	1955	MONTH 1957	OF 1956	FEBRUARY 1955	1957	TWO MONTHS 1956	1955	1957	TWO MONTHS 1956	1955
Canada:															
Newfoundland.....	..	1	2	..	3	3	..	50	24	..	88	106			
Prince Edward Island.....	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	5	..	..	5			
Nova Scotia.....	1	..	2	1	..	2	16	..	40	16	..	40			
New Brunswick.....	2	..	..	3	2	1	51	..	..	55	200	29			
Quebec.....	79	60	83	160	132	171	2,283	2,410	1,984	5,605	4,163	3,758			
Ontario.....	34	44	25	85	80	66	1,695	1,889	685	5,030	5,236	1,967			
Manitoba.....	4	3	6	8	8	10	146	49	336	276	160	678			
Saskatchewan.....	3	2	3	7	3	6	17	48	33	78	42	362			
Alberta.....	3	1	1	5	1	1	106	15	15	471	115	15			
British Columbia.....	4	7	5	8	9	14	260	122	29	648	152	424			
Total Canada.....	130	118	128	277	238	275	4,605	4,568	3,466	12,179	10,056	7,384			

Failures by Industrial Groups and Size of Liabilities—February and 2 Months 1957 and 1956

(Liabilities in thousands of dollars)

	FEBRUARY 1957				TWO MONTHS 1957				TWO MONTHS 1956			
	Number	Per Cent	Current Liab.	Total Liab.	Number	Per Cent	Current Liab.	Total Liab.	Number	Per Cent	Current Liab.	Total Liab.
MINING & MANUFACTURING....	199	100.0	33,402	34,196	396	100.0	49,507	50,397	411	100.0	32,089	32,831
Under \$5,000.....	22	11.0	67	67	34	8.6	104	104	38	9.2	110	110
\$5,000 to \$25,000.....	61	30.7	858	858	141	35.6	1,768	1,768	146	35.5	1,762	1,762
\$25,000 to \$100,000.....	68	34.2	3,573	3,573	129	32.6	6,373	6,373	143	34.8	6,995	6,995
\$100,000 to \$1,000,000.....	45	22.6	11,530	11,875	88	22.2	22,588	23,029	80	19.5	16,738	16,915
\$1,000,000 and Over.....	3	1.5	17,374	17,823	4	1.0	18,674	19,123	4	1.0	6,484	7,049
WHOLESALE TRADE.....	106	100.0	6,291	6,291	197	100.0	11,626	11,646	214	100.0	9,423	9,423
Under \$5,000.....	7	6.6	23	23	16	8.1	45	45	18	8.4	59	59
\$5,000 to \$25,000.....	42	39.6	553	553	70	35.6	900	900	93	43.5	1,301	1,301
\$25,000 to \$100,000.....	43	40.6	2,249	2,249	81	41.1	4,159	4,159	85	39.7	4,111	4,111
\$100,000 to \$1,000,000.....	13	12.3	2,366	2,366	29	14.7	5,422	5,442	18	8.4	3,952	3,952
\$1,000,000 and Over.....	1	0.9	1,100	1,100	1	0.5	1,100	1,100	..	..	..	..
RETAIL TRADE.....	568	100.0	14,780	14,780	1,180	100.0	32,642	33,291	1,046	100.0	29,629	29,831
Under \$5,000.....	114	20.1	331	331	232	19.7	651	651	219	20.9	611	611
\$5,000 to \$25,000.....	295	51.9	3,677	3,677	626	53.0	7,629	7,629	548	52.4	6,612	6,612
\$25,000 to \$100,000.....	139	24.5	6,166	6,166	272	23.1	12,046	12,046	234	22.4	9,897	9,897
\$100,000 to \$1,000,000.....	20	3.5	4,606	4,606	50	4.2	12,316	12,965	42	4.0	7,035	7,237
\$1,000,000 and Over.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	0.3	5,474	5,474
CONSTRUCTION.....	180	100.0	8,440	8,440	357	100.0	19,112	19,112	267	100.0	16,044	16,169
Under \$5,000.....	14	7.8	55	55	31	8.7	98	98	24	9.0	63	63
\$5,000 to \$25,000.....	93	51.7	1,276	1,276	160	44.8	2,093	2,093	107	40.1	1,446	1,446
\$25,000 to \$100,000.....	55	30.5	2,726	2,726	120	33.6	5,845	5,845	101	37.8	5,222	5,222
\$100,000 to \$1,000,000.....	18	10.0	4,383	4,383	46	12.9	11,076	11,076	33	12.4	6,639	6,764
\$1,000,000 and Over.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	0.7	2,674	2,674
COMMERCIAL SERVICE.....	93	100.0	2,493	2,493	164	100.0	6,579	6,579	134	100.0	4,894	4,894
Under \$5,000.....	21	22.6	67	67	38	23.2	116	116	38	28.3	110	110
\$5,000 to \$25,000.....	48	51.6	576	576	85	51.8	1,014	1,014	64	47.8	755	755
\$25,000 to \$100,000.....	20	21.5	945	945	29	17.7	1,324	1,324	22	16.4	1,106	1,106
\$100,000 to \$1,000,000.....	4	4.3	905	905	11	6.7	2,861	2,861	10	7.5	2,923	2,923
\$1,000,000 and Over.....	..	..	..	..	1	0.6	1,264	1,264	..	..	..	..
TOTAL UNITED STATES.....	1,146	100.0	65,406	66,200	2,294	100.0	119,466	121,025	2,072	100.0	92,079	93,148
Under \$5,000.....	178	15.5	543	543	351	15.3	1,014	1,014	337	16.3	953	953
\$5,000 to \$25,000.....	539	47.0	6,940	6,940	1,082	47.2	13,404	13,404	958	46.3	11,876	11,876
\$25,000 to \$100,000.....	325	28.4	15,659	15,659	631	27.5	29,747	29,747	585	28.2	27,331	27,331
\$100,000 to \$1,000,000.....	100	8.7	23,790	24,135	224	9.8	54,263	55,373	183	8.8	37,287	37,791
\$1,000,000 and Over.....	4	0.4	18,474	18,923	6	0.2	21,038	21,487	9	0.4	14,632	15,197

Failures by Federal Reserve Districts by Divisions of Industry—February 1957

(Liabilities in thousands of dollars)

Districts:	MANUFACTURING		WHOLESALE TRADE		RETAIL TRADE		CONSTRUCTION		COMMERCIAL SERVICE		TOTAL UNITED STATES	
	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.
Boston.....(1)....	14	1,233	11	425	29	1,230	11	614	5	116	70	3,618
New York.....(2)....	56	18,958	24	666	127	2,278	17	748	13	564	237	23,214
Philadelphia.....(3)....	12	1,272	4	241	34	896	16	1,421	3	61	69	3,891
Cleveland.....(4)....	8	476	8	342	42	1,412	19	631	9	223	86	3,084
Richmond.....(5)....	8	356	4	508	25	648	10	529	3	42	50	2,083
Atlanta.....(6)....	5	658	10	519	36	1,530	13	745	5	60	69	3,512
Chicago.....(7)....	26	5,249	14	1,156	74	2,153	24	789	8	447	146	9,794
St. Louis.....(8)....	1	20	6	1,268	21	373	2	55	1	61	31	1,777
Minneapolis.....(9)....	2	55	3	185	15	246	1	15	3	85	24	586
Kansas City.....(10)....	9	2,022	3	132	23	403	10	307	3	76	48	2,940
Dallas.....(11)....	2	82	4	293	21	602	4	115	3	20	34	1,112
San Francisco.....(12)....	56	3,021	15	556	121	3,009	53	2,471	37	738	282	9,795
Total United States.....	199	33,402	106	6,291	568	14,780	180	8,440	93	2,493	1,146	65,406

Dun's Failure Index

(Apparent Annual Number of Failures per 10,000 Enterprises)

	Unadjusted Index				Adjusted Index*			
	1957	1956	1955	1954	1957	1956	1955	1954
January.....	50.4	47.9	42.9	39.4	48.0	46.1	40.9	36.8
February.....	59.3	50.9	45.6	47.9	51.1	45.5	38.6	40.9
March.....	..	49.6	44.0	46.7	..	46.4	41.1	43.6
April.....	..	45.2	39.7	42.9	..	42.2	36.8	39.7
May.....	..	51.3	43.7	43.1	..	48.9	41.6	41.0
June.....	..	48.7	40.2	42.5	..	49.2	40.6	42.9
July.....	..	46.4	39.1	37.6	..	40.9	42.0	40.4
August.....	..	46.5	37.4	40.1	..	51.7	41.6	44.1
September.....	..	44.2	37.5	37.5	..	51.4	43.6	44.1
October.....	..	50.6	41.9	39.9	..	53.3	44.6	42.4
November.....	..	49.5	46.8	46.4	..	48.5	46.3	46.4
December.....	..	44.8	39.8	40.3	..	47.2	42.3	42.0
Mo. Average..	54.9	48.0	41.6	42.0	..	..	..	..

(*) Adjusted for seasonal variation.

DEFINITIONS

BUSINESS FAILURES include those businesses that ceased operations following assignment or bankruptcy; ceased with loss to creditors after such actions as execution, foreclosure, or attachment; voluntarily withdrew leaving unpaid obligations; were involved in court actions such as receivership, reorganization, or arrangement; or voluntarily compromised with creditors out of court.

CURRENT LIABILITIES, as used in the Failure Record, have a special meaning: they include all accounts and notes payable and all obligations, whether in secured form or not, known to be held by banks, officers, affiliated companies, supplying companies, or the Government. They do not include long-term, publicly-held obligations. Offsetting assets are not taken into account.

Failures by Industrial Groups—Monthly—1955 to Date

1955	Total Number	Mining & Mfg.	% of Total	Wholesale Trade	% of Total	Retail Trade	% of Total	Construction	% of Total	Commercial Service	% of Total
January.....	939	195	20.8	114	12.1	456	48.5	87	9.3	87	9.3
February.....	877	188	21.4	104	11.9	412	47.0	113	12.9	60	6.8
March.....	1,038	225	21.7	119	11.5	520	50.1	108	10.4	66	6.3
April.....	903	154	17.1	93	10.3	484	53.6	106	11.7	66	7.3
May.....	955	168	17.6	87	9.1	499	52.2	121	12.7	80	8.4
June.....	914	200	21.9	79	8.6	446	48.8	114	12.5	75	8.2
July.....	861	179	20.8	89	10.3	423	49.1	102	11.9	68	7.9
August.....	888	158	17.8	107	12.1	430	48.4	134	15.1	59	6.6
September.....	822	168	20.5	99	12.0	366	44.5	114	13.9	75	9.1
October.....	919	180	19.6	85	9.2	437	47.6	136	14.8	81	8.8
November.....	945	196	20.7	84	8.9	462	48.9	133	14.1	70	7.4
December.....	908	191	21.0	104	11.5	404	44.5	136	15.0	73	8.0
Total Year.....	10,969	2,202	20.1	1,164	10.6	5,339	48.7	1,404	12.8	860	7.8
1956											
January.....	1,048	209	19.9	106	10.1	535	51.1	126	12.0	72	6.9
February.....	1,024	202	19.7	108	10.5	511	49.9	141	13.8	62	6.1
March.....	1,170	224	19.2	122	10.4	572	48.9	150	12.8	102	8.7
April.....	985	186	18.9	92	9.4	463	47.0	153	15.5	91	9.2
May.....	1,164	245	21.1	118	10.1	575	49.4	132	11.3	94	8.1
June.....	1,105	183	16.5	115	10.4	551	49.9	163	14.8	93	8.4
July.....	1,018	165	16.2	85	8.4	540	53.0	141	13.9	87	8.5
August.....	1,101	195	17.7	98	8.9	567	51.5	146	13.3	95	8.6
September.....	932	140	15.0	85	9.1	489	52.5	146	15.7	72	7.7
October.....	1,158	198	17.1	112	9.7	584	50.4	182	15.7	82	7.1
November.....	999	166	16.6	94	9.4	482	48.3	171	17.1	86	8.6
December.....	982	172	17.5	72	7.3	472	48.1	183	18.6	83	8.5
Total Year.....	12,686	2,285	18.0	1,207	9.5	6,341	50.0	1,834	14.5	1,019	8.0
1957											
January.....	1,148	197	17.2	91	7.9	612	53.3	177	15.4	71	6.2
February.....	1,146	199	17.4	106	9.2	568	49.6	180	15.7	93	8.1
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Failures by Size of Liabilities—Monthly—1955 to Date

1955	Total Number	Under \$5,000	% of Total	\$5,000 to \$25,000	% of Total	\$25,000 to \$100,000	% of Total	\$100,000 to \$1,000,000	% of Total	\$1,000,000 and Over	% of Total
January.....	939	133	14.2	484	51.5	256	27.3	62	6.6	4	0.4
February.....	877	108	12.3	453	51.7	242	27.6	70	8.0	4	0.4
March.....	1,038	161	15.5	521	50.2	270	26.0	83	8.0	3	0.3
April.....	903	159	17.6	469	52.0	216	23.9	56	6.2	3	0.3
May.....	955	163	17.1	484	50.7	253	26.5	52	5.4	3	0.3
June.....	914	170	18.6	420	46.0	241	26.4	62	6.8	1	0.1
July.....	861	149	17.3	420	48.8	232	27.0	58	6.7	2	0.2
August.....	888	157	17.7	431	48.5	223	25.1	76	8.6	1	0.1
September.....	822	129	15.7	388	47.2	227	27.6	76	9.2	2	0.3
October.....	919	145	15.8	469	51.1	248	27.0	54	5.8	3	0.3
November.....	945	152	16.1	464	49.1	247	26.1	76	8.1	6	0.6
December.....	908	159	17.5	409	45.0	261	28.8	75	8.3	4	0.4
Total Year.....	10,969	1,785	16.3	5,412	49.3	2,916	26.6	820	7.5	36	0.3
1956											
January.....	1,048	178	17.0	490	46.7	303	28.9	73	7.0	4	0.4
February.....	1,024	159	15.5	468	45.7	282	27.5	110	10.8	5	0.5
March.....	1,170	184	15.7	594	50.8	303	25.9	86	7.3	3	0.3
April.....	985	137	13.9	489	49.7	279	28.3	76	7.7	4	0.4
May.....	1,164	194	16.7	579	49.7	278	23.9	109	9.4	4	0.3
June.....	1,105	193	17.5	505	45.7	322	29.1	81	7.3	4	0.4
July.....	1,018	175	17.2	486	47.7	302	29.7	50	4.9	5	0.5
August.....	1,101	198	18.0	515	46.8	269	24.4	111	10.1	8	0.7
September.....	932	127	13.6	487	52.3	245	26.3	71	7.6	2	0.2
October.....	1,158	186	16.2	560	48.3	303	26.2	104	9.0	3	0.3
November.....	999	152	15.2	491	49.2	282	28.2	72	7.2	2	0.2
December.....	982	147	15.0	488	49.7	263	26.8	79	8.0	5	0.5
Total Year.....	12,686	2,032	16.0	6,152	48.5	3,431	27.0	1,022	8.1	49	0.4
1957											
January.....	1,148	173	15.0	543	47.3	306	26.7	124	10.8	2	0.2
February.....	1,146	178	15.5	539	47.0	325	28.4	100	8.7	4	0.4
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